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There's No Room in Wash-

An Unusual Parallel In Ireland and Belgium

in Ireland has ordered the troops to destroy the dwelling houses in neighborhoods in which attacks have been made upon soldiers and military policemen. The official statement says that "this action is taken to deter further attacks upon the soldiery and police and as an example to other districts." This is precisely the action taken by the German military government in Belgium five years ago. And the excuse offered by the British military is, word for word and letter for letter, the excuse offered by the German military government.

When the Germans invaded and occupied Belgium the Belgian population was disarmed, just as the Irish population has been disarmed; a curfew ordinance was enforced in Belgium, just as a curfew ordinance is now being enforced by the British military police in Ireland; Belgian men found with arms were shot by the German military police, just as Irishmen found with arms are shot by the British military police; and when a German soldier or a military policeman was killed in any part of a Belgian city, the houses in the vicinity were ransacked, the occupants driven out and the torch applied.

All this was done on the military plea that such action would deter further outrages and be a salutary example to other districts. The only difference between the conduct of the German military authorities in Belgium and the present conduct of the British military authorities in Ireland is that the reign of terror and bloodshed and destruction in Belgium was limited to the city of Louvain, where four blocks of buildings were destroyed, whereas the reign of terror and bloodshed and destruction in Ireland has already destroyed the better part of the city of Cork, at least a score of flourishing towns, as well as the principal factories and industrial establishments of southern Ireland, and has resulted in the slaughter of more than three times the number of Belgians put to death during the whole period of the German occupancy.

The historical parallel between Belgium and Ireland is very complete and ought to be studied if one wishes to speak of the Irish question with understanding. There are men now living who were born in the world when Belgium was still | still living.

Like Wife of Julius Caesar

HE Interstate Commerce Commission seems to have risen to the occasion splendidly in the presence of the attempt to emasculate the law which forbids the railroads from buying equipment and supplies from concerns in which the railroad officials have a substantial interest.

The Clayton act, passed in President Wilson's first administration, contained this prohibition which was to go into effect several years later. When that time expired the railroads obtained from Congress an extension of the time, and a short time ago again pushed through Congress still another extension. This the President wisely vetoed. Then the railroad interests or banking interests, nothing daunted, introduced a bill to which Senator Frelinghuysen lent his name. This bill did more than extend the time. It emasculated the law.

Light on the railroad directors' desires to obtain this legislation is possibly found in the charges which whether they are what they seem.

HE British military government | part of the Dutch kingdom and when Belgium was still politically subject to Holland, as Ireland is politically subject to England. At that time the Belgians as ardently desired to be independent of Holland as the Irish desire to be independent of England.

Mingled with the political and racial differences which prompted this desire of the Belgians was also the difference in religion. The people of Holland were Protestant and the people of Belgium were Catholic. For many hundreds of years there had existed the same causes of discontent and the same desire for separation which have been so long at the bottom of the hostility of the Irish to English rule.

The Belgians finally began to assert their right to independence and to maintain it and defend it by guerrilla warfare, exactly as the Irish have done. And since it was to the interests of England and France and Prussia to weaken the strength of the Dutch kingdom, these three powers interfered in the Dutch quarrel, separated Belgium from Holland, set Belgium up as an independent State and guaranteed its security.

They did this by force of arms, England and France sending a strong fleet and assembling a strong army, between them, to compel the acquiescence of Holland in the separation of Belgium from Dutch rule. This forcible division of Holland occurred just ninety years ago, and it was upon the treaty then made between Holland, France and Prussia, guaranteeing Belgium's independence, that the English government based its excuse for entering the war against Germany after the central empires had become involved in war with Russia and France. ·

Thus you will see that with no other difference, save the difference of dates, the struggle of the Irish or independence is an exact likeness of the struggle of the Belgians for independence. And if the United States, with other powers, should interfere in order to separate Ireland from British rule and to guarantee the neutrality and security of Ireland in the future, they would be doing exactly what the British government, in conjunction with France and Prussia, did in the case of Holland and Belgium within the recollection of some men and women

have now been filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission, that one group of railroads have let to concerns in which their directors and officers are interested the repair of locomotives and cars at a cost four or five times greater than the repairs could be made in the railroads' own shops.

This charge, if true, explains several hundred million dollars of the billion increase in operating expenses officially reported by the railroads. Since one cent of increased railroad freight charges means from three to five cents increase in the cost to consumers, of merchandise transported, any waste, extravagance or corruption by railroad managers in buying supplies falls on the public with double or triple rates. It is the public which now guarantees a fair return to the railroads. What do railroad managers guarantee to the public?

There ought not to be any identity of interests between the buyer and seller of railroad goods. Railroad officials ought to be like Caesar's wife, above suspicion.

The public is too busy to be obliged to go continually, behind these railroad transactions every time they seem wrong to learn

Too Much English On It



HUMANISMS

William A. Du Puy-

By WILLIAM ATHERTON DU PUY.

Amos H. Radcliffe does not sound like the name of a blacksmith, but it is. It is the name of a blacksmith who is so good at his trade that he can hammer out a bunch of roses on his anvil. The bearer of it does not wear a leather apron. In fact, he is one of the best-dressed, best-barbered, best-manicured men in the Congress of the United States. But if you ask him what calling he follows when he is at home at work he will tell you he is a blacksmith.

Further than this his father is a blacksmith, as is his brother. He is a married man and has a blacksmith for a father-in-law. There is a forge in the back yard of the Radcliffe home, in Paterson, N. J., at which the little Radcliffes are led to play.

led to play.

are led to play.

Thirty years ago the elder Radcliffe had a blacksmith shop in Paterson. He hammered out at his anvil the smaller steel supports that go into buildings. Gradually the business grew and he gathered assistants about him. His son worked in the shop. He sent Amos to New York, where he learned fancy blacksmithing, such as rose-making, in a trade school.

Amos worked for years "at the fire." The business grew and he was promoted to "the floor."

amos worked for years "at the are." The Fusi-ness grew and he was promoted to "the floor." Here he sawed up beams, drilled holes in them and that sort of thing. The business grew and finally he was made its secretary—a kid glove

The work was too refined, so Amos Radcliffe went into politics as a diversion. He ran for sheriff and was elected. He held this office in the days when Haywood and his I. W. W. followers were creating most chaos in Paterson. Then he became mayor and, finally, he came to Con-

Yet despite this experience, Radcliffe is the last man in Congress one would pick as a son of toil. He is a youngster, only forty. His vigor of physique looks more like that of a college athlete. One somehow gets the impression that

s plays polo.

But last fall when he was campaigning and was the last of three speakers who were addressing an audience, made up largely of Slavic vorkmen, and when the first two speakers failed to make any impression on their stolid faces. the former blacksmith knew what to do. took off his coat and rolled up his sleeves. He got down front and talked the lingo of the iron mills, interspersed with Slavic phrases that he learned from his playmates when he was a boy. The result was recorded in votes.

Grasshoppers, says Dr. L. O. Howard, chief of the Bureau of Entomology, of the Department of Agriculture, are a very excellent food. There are millions of people in the world who regard sold by street venders in China as chestnuts are

Dr. Howard is a dean of the corps of Government scientists in Washington. He chafes at it under the attitude of the public toward the scientist. The public seems to him to want to make a joke of the man of test tubes and re-

He chuckles, however, over the occasion when the Government scientist turned the joke on the public with these same grasshoppers as the means. During the grasshopper plague, some years back, the food value of the insects was being urged, and a St. Louis hotel invited the scientists to make grasshopper soup for it. This fare under the name "grasshopper soup" done in French. The ignorant public unknowingly ate it for a week and expressed high approval. (Copyright, 1921, by Public Ledger C.)

Explosion Carried Far.

Five tons of nitroglycerin exploded in a pow-der mill in Canada, and incidentally shattered every pane of glass in the windows of a train crossing a bridge over the Richelieu river, more than a mile away.

What "Cenotaph" Means.

Several readers have written asking the meaning of "cenotaph." The word is derived from the Greek words "kenos," meaning "empty," and "taphos," meaning "tomb." In other words, a cenotaph is a sepulchral monument erected in honor of a person whose body lies elsewhere.

Wedding Superstitions.

The popularity of June for weddings is due to the pretty omen that Juno takes an especial interest in marriage and she protects and blesses all who are wedded in June. If a widow marries a second time in the same month in which she was married before she will be a widow

Mr. B. Baer

IN THE JUNGLE.

The turtle crawled up checked his shell, and waddled away, looking like a soft-boiled omelet with legs. Instead of his armorproof shell he was protected by a beautifully engraved scrap of paper. The porcupine shed his quills on the dotted line and was handed a recipt by the wolf.

He hadn't gone far before he met a laughing hyena who never read the papers. The porky tried to throw up a barrage of needles, but only raised a crop of goose flesh instead.

The oysters joined the disarmament conference and then went away on the half shell to keep their appointment with the walrus and the carpenter.

The rattlesnake handed his fang bridgework to the wolf and asked him if he wanted his rattles, too. The wolf told him he could keep them to amuse the children. The lion turned in his teeth and then went out to get a meal. Meeting a mule, he roared in the good old-fashioned way.

"Come a little closer, lion," chirped the mule. "I'm a little deaf." The lion stepped a little nearer and the mule knocked him for a series of educational lectures.

away his riparian rights, the monkeys had chopped down all the trees and the boa constrictor was in a straitjacket, the wolf tested his neighborly smile in a

As he was going out the less, and had rubber claws.

The wolf asked him who he was. The bird told him hurt his gums.

"I'm going off to consult a rabbit dentist about that

WHEN THE sun was AND IT was warm. LIKE AN April day. AND ALSO. IT. WAS in a street AND AT a corner.

AND A woman got on. WITH A child. A LITTLE boy. AND HE was fighting. AND CRYING.

THE CAR stopped

AND SHE dragged . . . INTO THE car. AND NEXT to me. WERE TWO vacant seats. . . . AND SHE picked him up.

AND MADE an effort. . . TO SIT him down. AND HE stiffened

After the whale had signed

"Beautiful teeth I have there," he said. "I really ought to put 'em in the community junk heap. But being a real philanthropist, I'll keep 'em to crack nuts for the toothless squirrels."

door, he met a queer looking bird being chased by a sparrow. This bird was beak-

he was an idealized portrait of the American eagle and that he couldn't eat herbs and berries because they

"How is it that you've still got your teeth?" he asked

now," said the wolf as he loped away.

We TOWNE GOSSIP Registered U. S. Patent Office. By K. C. B.-

IT WAS last Sunday. | AND ALL the time. HE WAS yelling. AND THREE times. SHE LIFTED him up. TO SIT him down. AND THREE times. HE STIFFENED out. LIKE A board. AND SLID off. AND RIGHT away. WHEN HE'D slide HE'D WILT, AND GO limp. AND SINK down. AND YELL.

> AND FINALLY. I HELPED her. AND WE broke him. AT THE joints. AND SAT him down.

AND HE still yelled. AND THE woman said. way. . . .

TO STAND him up. AND HE wilted. AND SANK down.

HE WAS acting that BECAUSE THE conductor. AND WOULDN'T si down. . . HAD LIFTED him. AND SHE shook him. ONTO THE platform. AND MADE an INSTEAD OF letting effort. him. . . . CLIMB UP the steps. AS HE wanted to. I THANK you.

Once-Overs

GOLF AND BUSINESS. By J. J. MUNDY.

Going the rounds is a story to the effect that an employer looking for a man for a responsible position took the applicants who were golf players to the links to try them out.

he was in the lead showed that he was not the man to put up a business fight if things went against him for a while, When a man missed a putt and began to

The man who played a good game only when

swear and cuss everything but himself he decided that that fellow would blame others for his mistakes in business. The man who lied about the number of strokes

ne took to make a hole would lie about his record to make it look better. The man who gave up trying to get out of a bunker and played his ball lengthwise to the

der adversity. The man who gave up trying to hold down the number of his shots after getting a high score on two or three holes would give up in the same way under hard competition.

Contribs tell "DIMPLES" that Georgetown's famous "Lover's Lane" begins at R street, between Thirtieth

A GREAT COMBINATION. Here's a great combination: Sign in a Washington feed place —"Home-made rabbit pie with

INTERESTING PROBLEM.

nay be interesting: What number will divide into 2,253,823 and produce a quotient whose figure may be reversed and multiplied by the divisor to again reach the original number?

Canned music has its limitations. When the phonograph in the landlady's sitting room starts up, "The Body Lies Upstairs," i starts a riot in the savage breast

JOE CONKLIN. WOMAN-HINDU MYTHOLOGY According to Hindu legends, the god Vulcan, of Hindu mythology, created the world. When he started on woman he found he had used up all available materials, but knew that the world would be nothing

without women, so he took-

without women, so he took—
The roundness of the moon,
The undulating curve of the serpent,
The graceful twist of the creeping plant,
The slenderness of the willow,
The velvet of the flowers,
The lightness of the feather,
The gentle gaze of the doe,
The frolicsome reflection of the dancing sunbeam,
The tears of the cloud,
The inconsistency of the wind,
The timidity of the hare,
The vanity of the peacock,
The hardness of the diamond,
The cooling of the turtle dove.
All these he combined to form that glorious being—woman.

PASSAIC.

THE 13th and D ST. LINE. Regarding a complaint that at the astern terminus of the 13th and street line, conductors occassionally refuse to open cars for passengers, until just before starting time, no matter what the weather. Superintendent STEPHENS, of the W. R. and E. Co., sends to the editor the com-pany's instructions to conductors. Rule 27 especially forbids this, "particularly during inclement weather." Mr. Stephens would like to be in-

formed when the rule is disregarded. WAYWARD YOUTH! WAYWARD YOUTH!

Johnny listened to a sermon
On "Wayward Youth Benighted."
Came Johnny's turn to make a speech,
And here's what John recited:
"King Solomon and King David,
In youth led wayward lives,
Each had a few affinities
Besides his numerous wives;
But when old age came creeping on
With all its aches and qualms,
King Solomon wrote the Proverbs,
And David wrote the Psaima."

ALOYSIUS.

You don't have to go down on he farm to see calves nowadays.

WANTED PLAIN ENGLISH. Miss M., a Washington school teach er, sent a child home with this note: Please keep your daughter home

She is pediculus."
The mother sent the child with this note: "Please write plain English. I ain't no school teacher." Wonder what she would have said had the word been written plainly?
PLAIN JANE.

I SAW a man with a big hat
NEAR THE Riggs Bank
AND MY friend told me he
WAS FROM the West
AND HAD told him that out there
IF THEY had cakles
WITH BELL bottom pants
AND SOFT hands
THEY WOULD make them eat
HOG AND steer meats
AND SOME red pepper
TO MAKE them lively
AND IF they lived
AND CONTINUED their habits
WOULD CHASE them away
OUT THERE in the West
WHERE MEN ere HE men
AND I felt funny
AND I felt funny
AND FELT my chest
AND LOOKED at my hands
AND WALKED stong
AND WALKED stong
AND SAID nothing. end of obstruction would not stand up well un-

ington for 'Gunmen' By BILL PRICE Whether the Saturday night murder was the work of

plain robbers or "gunmen," as the police reporters of the newspapers thrillingly and picturesquely use the term, the word has an ominous sound that will awaken Washington. There is no place in this city for professional or amateur gunmen-that class of murderous criminals who kill somebody else's enemy for pay or joyously revenge their own fanciful wrongs without the slightest compunction of mind as to the taking of human life. The law amounts to nothing.

The gunman is a product of the congestion of large cities and of a moral atmosphere practically unknown in Washington. We don't want it to become known here either. Let us hope that all there is to the "gunman" theory exists in the lively imagination of the reporters. If there is serious foundation to it, then let the Washington Police Department strike and strike severely as a warning that Washington will not tolerate Apache methods or

The department should be strengthened as fast as efficient new men can be added. There are many vacancies to be filled, and there seems no good reason why they cannot be filled somewhat more rapidly than in the past. Conditions throughout the country are not such as to give assurance that we are going to escape "crime waves" here. The department should be put on a maximum efficiency basis with as little delay as possible and every agency required to be on the alert.

LISTEN TO OLD MILO. Government clerks complain that they must change their status to get more money to meet expenses, when some of them might get the same effect by changing their SPRED.

MILO H. and Thirty-first streets, and runs north into the woods at the rear of Oak Hill Cemetery, in the vicinity of

Saxaphone music."
HARDWARE JAKE.

I saw three cakies looking into the vindow of a beauty parlor on street. They looked over the curling unteer to show "Dimples" the adirons and other paraphernalia and vantages of the lane any evening she

This problem is not so hard, but

SPICE IN VARIETY.
Some fellows favor blonde girls,
And some like sweet brunettes.
One duck I know likes wild girls,
That's the only kind he gets. Another guy likes innocent ones, He lives on dreamy eyes.

A friend of his likes domestic one.

The kind who make good pies.

know another fellow too. He likes the foreign kind. In plays the French and Spa In fact—he's color blind. But me—I like variety,
I love 'em—each and all.
Give me a new one every nigh
Dark, light, short, slim or tal

Montrose Park. So state H. B. ROS-SELL. "AJAX," and JACK D.

JAMES KEATING says that it is

"between Montrose Park and the estate of the late Colonel HENRY

BLOUNT." That park is about ten acres, and was donated to the District

through the generosity of Colonel

Blount's heirs.
"TOM and DUTCH," AL K. HALL,

and "KING OF THE LANE" all vol-

JOHN HURLEY, the noted local fisherman, is experimenting with

cabbage balls as a bait for bass. An advertisement: 'Attention, Mothers: Your baby

can be enlarged, tinted ar framed for \$8.75." J. N. E. C. THRIFT WEEK. For the cool gin fizz,

n old Ben Franklin's day

For the Scotch high ball,

There was no call. in old Ben Franklin's day. Life is like the clever drawing of a tooth. We think the real

thing is yet to come till we note with amazement that it is al-HAPPY SIX. ready past.

Mandy-Lizzie, what yo' doing wid at shoe blackin'? Lizzie-Chile, dat ain't shoe blackin', Dat's ma massage cream. HEN and CHIC.

PERFECTLY CLEAR.

"Give me a Pullman berth," said
the man.

"Upper or lower?" asked the agent.

"What's the difference?"

"A difference of 60 cents in this
case," said the polite agent. "The
lower is higher than the upper. The
higher price is for the lower. If you
want to go lower you'll have to go
higher. We sell the upper lower than
the lower; in other words, the higher
the lower, although it is lower on account
of being higher. When you occupy an
upper you have to get up to go to bed
and get down when you get up. You
can have the lower if you pay the
higher. The upper is lower than the
lower because it is higher. If you are
willing to go higher it will be lower."

The man waited not.

ARKANSAS.

ARKANSAS. KISSING GIRL JAY-WALKERS. It is not the opinion of the fans that jay-walking would be stopped f men were given permission t kiss every woman streets in the wrong place. M. C. thinks that the street corners would be filled with cakeeaters watching to dive for women jay-walkers. DIXIE GIRL even thinks jay-walking might increase.

ANNETTE KELLERMAN is like General BYNG because both owe their successes to tanks.
ROSE of 7th and L.

THE DIFFERENCE. Englishman-Pardon me, old mas, but could you direct me to the nearest subway station? I'm a deucid stranger in this country, y'know, but on the other side I'm a person of importance. I am Sir Henry Howsitt-Knight of the Garter, Knight of St. James, Knight of the

D'ye mind telling me your name, my Irishman-Me name is Patrick O'Connor-Night before last, last night, tonight, tomorrow night, and every other d-n, night-Patrick O'Connor. OHIO.

Bath, Knight of the Iron Cross.

He-Dearie, a kiss is the language

She-Well, why don't you say some thing?